

Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims below is intended to replace all prior listings of the claims:

1. (Previously Presented) Compositions in the form of finely divided dried powders, characterised in that they are quaternary and comprise an active substance, propolis, a hydrophilic carrier and two co-grinding auxiliary substances, of which one is an aminoacid and one is a sweetening agent, glycyrrhizate.

2. (Previously Presented) The quaternary compositions of claim 1 wherein said compositions have a greater solubility than the corresponding ternary compositions wherein the sole auxiliary substance consists of aminoacids.

3. (Currently Amended) The compositions of claim 1 wherein the hydrophilic carrier is selected from the group consisting of class of the cyclodextrins and their derivatives.

4. (Previously Presented) The compositions of claim 1 wherein the aminoacidic auxiliary substance is an aminoacid selected from the group consisting of glycine, glutamic acid, lysine and serine.

5. (Previously Presented) The compositions of claim 1 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the carrier is between 1:1 and 1:20.

6. (Previously Presented) The compositions of claim 4 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the carrier is between 1:5 and 1:8.

7. (Previously Presented) The compositions of claim 1 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the aminoacidic auxiliary substance is between 1:0.1 and 1:2.

8. (Previously Presented) The compositions of claim 7 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the aminoacidic auxiliary substance is between 1:0.2 and 1:1.

9. (Currently Amended) The compositions of claim 1 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the second glycyrrhizate co-grinding auxiliary substance is of between 1:0.5 and 1:2.

10. (Previously Presented) The compositions of claim 9 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the glycyrrhizate co-grinding auxiliary substance is 1:1.

11. (Currently Amended) Compositions in the form of finely divided dried powder, characterised in that they are quaternary and comprise an active substance, propolis,

a hydrophilic carrier selected from the group consisting of cyclodestrins and their derivatives, and two co-grinding auxiliary substances of which one is an aminoacid selected from the group consisting of glycine, glutamic acid, lysine and serine and one is a sweetening agent, glycyrrhizate The compositions according to one of the preceding claims wherein the weight ratios between the propolis active substance, cyclodextrin hydrophilic carrier, the aminoacidic and glycyrrhizate co-grinding auxiliary substances are 1:7.5:0.5:1.

12-14 (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) Use of ~~t~~ The compositions of claim 1 in the form of finely subdivided dried powders, characterised in that they are quaternary and comprise an active substance, propolis, a hydrophilic carrier and two co-grinding auxiliary substances of which one is an aminoacid and one is a sweetening agent, glycyrrhizate, for the preparation of products in forms suitable for use as dietary supplements in product forms with or without excipients and diluents suitable for the same.

16. (Currently Amended) Use of ~~t~~ The compositions of claim 1 in the form of finely divided dried powders, characterised in that they are quaternary and comprise an active substance, propolis, a hydrophilic carrier and two co-grinding auxiliary substances of which one is an aminoacid and one is a sweetening agent, glycyrrhizate, for the preparation of products in forms suitable for parapharmaceutical use in product forms with or without excipients and diluents suitable for the same.

17. (Currently Amended) Use of ~~t~~ The compositions of claim 1 in the form of finely divided dried powders, characterised in that they are quaternary and comprise an active substance, propolis, a hydrophilic carrier and two co-grinding auxiliary substances of which one is an aminoacid and one is a sweetening agent, glycyrrhizate, for the preparation of products in forms suitable for dermocosmetic use in product forms with excipients and diluents suitable for the same.

18. (Currently Amended) The use of ~~t~~ The compositions according to one or more of the preceding of claim 17 claims wherein said forms are selected from the group consisting of powders, capsules, tablets, lotions, creams, ointments, pastes, gels, creams, ointments, and stick, solutions or suspensions, lotions and spray.

19. (New) The compositions of claim 5 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the carrier is between 1:5 and 1:8.

20. (New) The compositions of claim 15 wherein said forms are selected from the group consisting of powders, capsules, tablets, pastes, gels, solutions or suspensions.

21. (New) The compositions of claim 16 wherein said forms are selected from the group consisting of powders, capsules, tablets, pastes, gels, solutions, suspensions and spray.